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Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

1. The Council is to hold elections to the following bodies:

Commission on Population and Development (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

One member from Western European and other States.

In addition, the Council is to elect, from Latin American and Caribbean States, two members for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000 and one member for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2001.

Commission for Social Development (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Fourteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Three members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

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Commission on Human Rights (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Fourteen members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Four members from African States;

Three members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

Commission on the Status of Women (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Eleven members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Three members from Western European and other States.

Commission on Sustainable Development (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Twenty members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Five members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Five members from Western European and other States.

Commission on Human Settlements (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Twenty members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Six members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

In accordance with rule 80 of the rules of procedure of the Council, 19 members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Five members from African States;

Four members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Four members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

In accordance with its resolution 1985/17, the Council is to elect, for a four-year term, beginning on 1 January 1999, nine experts who shall serve in their personal capacity and have recognized competence in the field of human rights, with due consideration being given to equitable geographical distribution and to the representation of different forms of social and legal systems. The Committee is composed of 18 members: 15 seats are equally distributed among the regional groups, while the other 3 seats are allocated in accordance with the increase in the total number of States parties per regional group. The members of the Committee are eligible for re-election at the end of their terms, if renominated. The names of the candidates submitted by Governments and their curricula vitae will be before the Council.

Programme Coordination Board of the Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Eight members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

Two members from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European and other States.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Eleven members are to be elected on the following basis:

One member from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Eleven members are to be elected on the following basis:

One member from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

Two members from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four members from Western European and other States.

Executive Board of the World Food Programme* (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

Six members are to be elected on the following basis, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/8:

* The members of the Executive Board are elected from five lists set out in the Basic Texts of the World Food Programme and reproduced in document E/1995/L.11, annex II.

Two members from African States (list A);

One member from Asian States (list B);

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States (list C);

Two members from Western European and other States (list D).

2. The Council will nominate members of the following body:

Committee for Programme and Coordination (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly decision 42/450, seven members are to be nominated for election by the General Assembly, at its fifty-third session, to fill the vacancies in the Committee for Programme and Coordination that will occur on 31 December 1998. The term is three years, beginning on 1 January 1999. The vacancies are to be filled according to the following pattern:

Three members from African States;

Three members from Asian States;

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States.

In addition, the Council is to nominate one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

3. The Secretary-General will submit for confirmation by the Council the names of persons nominated to serve as representatives on the functional commissions of the Council since the suspension of the organizational session for 1998.

4. The Council will appoint members of the following bodies:

Committee for Development Planning (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

The Council is to appoint 24 experts, upon the nomination of the Secretary-General, for a term of one year beginning on 1 January 1999.

Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/1998/L.1/Add.)

In accordance with article III of the statute of the Institute, the Board of Trustees is composed of 11 members nominated by States and appointed by the Economic and Social Council, with due regard to the fact that the Institute and its work are funded from voluntary contributions and to the principle of equitable geographical distribution. Members of the Board serve in their personal capacities for a term of three years from the date of appointment. They are eligible for reappointment by the Council for one further term.

The term of office of three members of the Board expires on 30 June 1998. Taking into account the existing de facto geographical balance of the Board, endorsed by the Council at previous sessions, the Council is to appoint one member from African States, one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States for a three-year term, beginning on 1 July 1998. The names of the candidates submitted by their Governments and their curricula vitae will be before the Council.

5. The Council will also hold elections, postponed from previous sessions, to the following bodies:

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Eight members from Asian States, one member from Eastern European States and six members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

One member from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

Committee on Natural Resources

Experts to be elected in their personal capacity as follows: one expert from Asian States, one expert from Eastern European States and two experts from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development

Experts to be elected in their personal capacity as follows: six experts from African States and two experts from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

Three members from African States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

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8. Social and human rights questions: advancement of women

In its decision 1998/203, the Economic and Social Council decided to include in the provisional agenda for its resumed organizational session for 1998 the item entitled "Social and human rights questions: advancement of women". Under this item, the Council will have before it a draft resolution recommended by the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-second session for adoption by the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.

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